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The Heritage Areas Office along with many other National park Service Programs have moved to a new location 1201 Eye St. in Washington D.C. The mailing address for the office will stay the same, 1849 C Street, NW, Room 3128, Washington DC 20240 as will the email. However, I have a new phone number **202** 354-2222. The directory of National Heritage Areas is attached and this is a good time to review the entries and make any corrections.



## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

With Congress in recess this has been a quiet month. Behind the scenes there have been discussions of additional hearings in the fall session and possible new heritage area proposals. Again for those who may not have the updated list of bills, a report is attached. News Flash the Atchafayla National Heritage Area bill was introduced yesterday by Senator Landrieu (LA).



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The Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area sponsored video *Stories from the Mines* has already proved its worth to the local community as a favorite public television special and fundraiser and as enrichment material for local history educational curriculums. Now it will showcase the region's stories to the nation. The film has been "picked up" for distribution by American Public Television, the national syndication entity for public television stations. It has already been booked by the required 25 stations across the country and will be made available to all 200 stations in the network.

In other exciting news, *Stories from the Mine* has been nominated for an Emmy Award in the Outstanding Documentary Program Category. The winner will be announced at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences dinner in Philadelphia on September 14, 2002. We are keeping our fingers crossed!

The New York Times Sunday Travel Section (August 25, 2002) strikes again with a great article on touring the D & H Canal Corridor in New York and Pennsylvania. The tour begins in the Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area in Carbondale, the site of the country's first underground mine, and wends its way over Moosic Mountain and eastward. Upscale tourist and travel writers are discovering our resources!

The Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area was featured in *Policy Partners: Making the Case for State Investment in Culture*, a publication of the Pew Charitable Trust (July 2002). The publication looks at who is making cultural policy and how to mobilize opinion leaders to champion cultural goals.

You can read and download the report on the Trusts web site.

As if there weren't enough good reasons to come to the **National Trust for Historic Preservation Annual Meeting** in Cleveland ...the Alliance for National Heritage Areas is sponsoring a reception on Friday October 11 from 6:30 to 8:00 at the Cleveland Marriott Hotel 127 Public Square. Join us for free food, fun and a chance to network with heritage development leaders from across the country. Attendees will have an opportunity to learn about the upcoming International Heritage Development Conference in Pittsburgh in June 2003 and an opportunity to take home some authentic items representing the 23 National Heritage Areas.